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PUBLIC NOTICE

To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for **Section 401 Water Quality Certification** by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

1. Applicant: Benton County Commissioners
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Fowler, IN 47944

2. Agent: Alt & Witzig Engineering, Inc.
6205 Schumacher Park Drive
West Chester, OH 45069

3. Project location: NE 1/4, Section 1, Township 24 North, Range 7 West, Noblesville USGS Quad.
The intersection of CR 300S and CR875E in Benton County.

4. Affected waterbody: Little Pine Creek and adjacent wetlands.

5. Project Description: It is proposed to discharge fill material into 4 portions of a wetland adjacent to Little Pine Creek. The total impact is 0.25 acre (0.07 acre of emergent and 0.17 acre of emergent/scrub-shrub). The purpose of the fill is to facilitate the replacement of Benton County Bridge No. 85. It is also proposed to widen the channel and place 1055 cubic yards of riprap along the channel banks 250 feet upstream and downstream of the bridge. It is proposed to mitigate for the impacts by creating 1.27 acres of emergent and scrub-shrub wetland approximately 1/2 mile north of the intersection of CR400E and CR200S and west of CR400E. The mitigation site is approximately 5.5 miles northwest of Benton County Bridge No. 85.

Comment period: Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.

Public Hearing: Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

Questions: Additional information may be obtained from Mr. Marty Maupin, Project Manager, at 317-233-2471. Please address all correspondence to the project manager and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

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